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Since USP 5,461,419, cited in the International Search Report, has already been filed in the USPTO with the Information Disclosure Statement of March 30, 2000, a copy thereof is not enclosed and this patent is not listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the publications submitted herewith and also submitted with the IDS of March 30, 2000 and return initialed copies of the Forms PTO-1449 to confirm that all of the publications have been considered and made of record.

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